Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion project (LEAD)

Bernalillo County and DBHS, in collaboration with Albuquerque Police Department (APD), Bernalillo County Sheriff, the District Attorney's Office, and Office of the Public Defender have implemented a LEAD program that appropriately diverts non-violent adults with a Serious Mental Illness and/or Substance Use Disorder from the criminal justice system to community-based alternatives and services prior to arrest and booking.











